



MAX STABBINGS

Jury chosen, trial for Christian to begin

Aimee Green The Oregonian/OregonLive

Prosecutors and defense attorneys finished sifting through a pool of 250 Multnomah County residents to select 12 jurors and two alternates Monday for the trial of Jeremy Christian, who prosecutors say murdered two men during a loud, bigoted rant on a crowded MAX train. The trial is scheduled to begin with opening statements today. Among the jurors and alternates are a municipal employee, a former member of the Navy, a retiree, a nurse and a former Multnomah County jail employee. The judge and lawyers are referring to each juror by only a letter and a number to protect their privacy during what is expected to be a closely watched trial attracting international interest. Several of the jurors selected said during four days of questioning last week they had heard very little about the 2017 killings before entering the jury selection process. Others said they could set aside what they’ve heard or read from more than 2½ years of news stories to start the trial with a clean slate. One man, Juror E8, likened his knowledge of the case to words or a picture scrawled onto an Etch A Sketch: “You erase it. It doesn’t matter.”

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Lillard on a record-breaking tear of late. B1

IMPEACHMENT TRIAL

Pressure mounts to call witnesses

Bolton book’s allegations shake things up as Trump’s defense makes its case

Eric Tucker, Zeke Miller and Lisa Mascaro Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senators faced mounting pressure Monday to summon John Bolton to testify at President Donald Trump’s impeachment trial even as Trump’s lawyers brushed past extraordinary new allegations from Trump’s former national security adviser and focused instead on corruption in Ukraine and historical arguments for acquittal. Outside the Senate chamber, Republicans grappled with claims in a forthcoming book from Bolton that Trump had wanted to withhold military aid from Ukraine until it committed to helping with investigations into Democratic rival Joe Biden. That assertion could undercut a key defense argument — that Trump never tied the suspension of security aid to political investigations. The revelation clouded White House hopes for a swift end to the impeachment trial, fueling Democratic demands for witnesses and possibly pushing more Republican lawmakers to agree. It also distracted from hours of arguments from Trump’s lawyers, who declared anew that no witness has testified to direct knowledge that Trump’s delivery of aid was contingent on investigations into Democrats. Bolton



appeared poised to say exactly that if called on by the Senate to appear. “We deal with transcript evidence, we deal with publicly available information,” attorney Jay Sekulow said. “We do not deal with speculation.” Trump is charged with abusing his presidential power by asking Ukraine’s leader to help investigate Biden at the same Trump was ordering that millions of dollars in aid be withheld.

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Ken Starr, an attorney for President Donald Trump who was special counsel in the impeachment of former President Bill Clinton, opposes impeachment this time, saying the process “divides the country like nothing else.”

Senate Television, via AP

AUSCHWITZ LIBERATION ANNIVERSARY

‘Do not let this ever happen again to any people’

Vanessa Gera Associated Press

OSWIECIM, POLAND — Survivors of the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp prayed and wept as they marked the 75th anniversary of its liberation, returning Monday to the place where they lost entire families and warning about the ominous growth of anti-Semitism and hatred in the world. “We have with us the last living survivors, the last among those who saw the Holocaust with their own eyes,” Polish President Andrzej Duda told those at the commemoration, which included the German president as well as Jewish, Christian and Muslim leaders. “The magnitude of the crime perpetrated in this place is terrifying, but we must not look away from it and we must never forget it,” Duda said.

About 200 camp survivors attended, many of them elderly Jews and non-Jews who traveled from Israel, the United States, Australia, Peru, Russia, Slovenia and elsewhere. Many lost parents and grandparents in Auschwitz or other Nazi death camps during World War II, but were joined by children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren. They gathered under an enormous, heated tent straddling the train tracks that had transported people to Birkenau, the part of the vast complex where most of the murdered Jews were killed in gas chambers and then cremated. Auschwitz was liberated by the Soviet army on Jan. 27, 1945.

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Survivors and their relatives walk through the gates of Auschwitz. Czarek Sokolowski, Associated Press